

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Health

Health Regulation Administration



**INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION TO PRACTICE
OPTOMETRY**

Dear Applicant:

We welcome your interest in becoming a licensed Optometrist in the District of Columbia and look forward to providing expedient and professional service. However, the quality of our service is dependent on the completeness of your application. Please read these instructions carefully. Any application not completed in accordance with these instructions will be returned without action.

Please address all correspondence to:

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
64 New York Avenue, NE
1st FLOOR
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

Further inquiries can be made by calling the Health Care Licensing Office at **(202) 442-9200**, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

APPLYING FOR A LICENSE TO PRACTICE

**OPTOMETRY
AND
ADMINISTRATION OF DIAGNOSTIC PHARMACEUTICAL AGENTS
DPA CERTIFIED**

**IN
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

PLEASE REVIEW NEW SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS



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**BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS**

**APPLICANTS MUST NOT HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF AN OFFENSE WHICH
BEARS DIRECTLY ON THE APPLICANT'S FITNESS TO PRACTICE**

APPLICANTS MUST BE AT LEAST EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE.

APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

1. COMPLETED AND NOTARIZED APPLICATION FOR D.C. LICENSE FORM (OPLA-24)
2. COMPLETED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION/SUPERVISION FORM.
3. TWO RECENT PASSPORT-TYPE PHOTOGRAPHS MEASURING 2"x2".
4. CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR ONE-HUNDRED SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$170.00) MADE PAYABLE TO D.C. TREASURER. THE FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) APPLICATION FEE IS EARNED WHEN PAID AND IS NOT REFUNDABLE. HOWEVER, THE LICENSE FEE OF \$120.00 WILL BE REFUNDED IN CASE OF FINAL DENIAL OF LICENSE OR IF CANDIDATE WITHDRAWS APPLICATION.

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

**SUBMIT TO THE BOARD CERTIFIED OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS MAILED
DIRECTLY FROM EACH EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FROM WHICH
CREDITS WERE EARNED. TRANSCRIPTS ARE ACCEPTED BY THE
APPLICANT IN A SEALED UNIVERSITY ENVELOPE WITH A REGISTRAR'S
SIGNATURE ACROSS THE SEAL.**

